# Maids When You’re Young

Traditional – first known published version 1869 (recorded by The Dubliners 1967)

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**INTRO: / 1 2 3 / 1 2 3 / [D] / [D]**

Well, an **[D]** old man came courting me, hey ding-**[A]**doorum dow **[A] / [A]**

An **[D]** old man came courting me, me being young **[D]**

An **[D]** old man came **[G]** courting me **[D]** fain would he **[A]** marry me

**[D]** Maids, when you're **[G]** young, never **[A7]** wed an old **[D]** man **[D]**

**CHORUS:**

Because he's **[D]** got no faloorum, faliddle aye **[A7]** oorum

He's **[D]** got no faloorum, faliddle all day **[D]**

He's **[D]** got no fa-**[G]**loorum, he’s **[D]** lost his ding-**[A7]**doorum

**[D]** Maids, when you're **[G]** young, never **[A7]** wed an old **[D]** man **[D]**

**[D]** When we went to church, hey ding-**[A]**doorum dow **[A] / [A] /**

**[D]** When we went to church, me being young **[D]**

**[D]** When we **[G]** went to church **[D]** he left me **[A]** in the lurch

**[D]** Maids, when you're **[G]** young, never **[A7]** wed an old **[D]** man **[D]**

**CHORUS:**

Because he's **[D]** got no faloorum, faliddle aye **[A7]** oorum

He's **[D]** got no faloorum, faliddle all day **[D]**

He's **[D]** got no fa-**[G]**loorum, he’s **[D]** lost his ding-**[A7]**doorum

**[D]** Maids, when you're **[G]** young, never **[A7]** wed an old **[D]** man **[D]**

**[D]** When we went to bed, hey ding-**[A]**doorum dow **[A] / [A] /**

**[D]** When we went to bed, me being young **[D]**

**[D]** When we **[G]** went to bed **[D]** he lay like **[A]** he was dead

**[D]** Maids, when you're **[G]** young, never **[A7]** wed an old **[D]** man **[D]**

**CHORUS:**

Because he's **[D]** got no faloorum, faliddle aye **[A7]** oorum

He's **[D]** got no faloorum, faliddle all day **[D]**

He's **[D]** got no fa-**[G]**loorum, he’s **[D]** lost his ding-**[A7]**doorum

**[D]** Maids, when you're **[G]** young, never **[A7]** wed an old **[D]** man **[D]**

So I **[D]** threw me leg over him, hey ding-**[A7]**doorum dow **[A] / [A]**

I **[D]** flung me leg over him, me being young **[D]**

I **[D]** threw me leg **[G]** over him **[D]↓** damned well near smothered him

**[D]** Maids, when you're **[G]** young, never **[A7]** wed an old **[D]** man **[D]**

**CHORUS:**

Because he's **[D]** got no faloorum, faliddle aye **[A7]** oorum

He's **[D]** got no faloorum, faliddle all day **[D]**

He's **[D]** got no fa-**[G]**loorum, he’s **[D]** lost his ding-**[A7]**doorum

**[D]** Maids, when you're **[G]** young, never **[A7]** wed an old **[D]** man **[D]**

**[D]** When he went to sleep, hey ding a **[A]** doo rum dow **[A] / [A] /**

**[D]** When he went to sleep, me bein’ young **[D]**

**[D]** When he **[G]** went to sleep **[D]** out of bed **[A]** I did creep

**[D]** Into the **[G]** arms of a **[A7]** handsome young **[D]** man **[D]**

**CHORUS:**

And I **[D]** found his faloorum, faliddle aye **[A7]** oorum

I **[D]** found his faloorum, faliddle all **[A7]** day **[A7]**

I **[D]** found his fa-**[G]**loorum, he **[D]↓** got my ding-doorum

So **[D]** maids, when you're **[G]** young, never **[A7]** wed an old **[D]↓** man **[A7]↓/**

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